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		The Director o	f Central Intelligence	_					
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Critical Intelligence Problems Committee				21 February 1984					
	MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence								
	VIA:	Staff							
	FROM:	Eloise R. Page Chairman							
	SUBJECT:	Status Report on t Defense Study	the CIPC's Soviet	Ballistic Missile	25 X 1				
	1. The attached status report is provided in response to the DCI's memorandum of 21 December 1983 directing that the Critical Intelligence Problems Committee (CIPC) undertake an immediate study on the Soviet Ballisti Missile Defense (BMD) intelligence problem. The DCI specifically requested that the CIPC conduct a Community-wide assessment, on an urgent basis, to evaluate size and scope of the Soviet commitment to ballistic missile defense and to identify intelligence gaps, and to recommend collection and production initiatives to improve the level of intelligence reporting on this issue. 2. This preliminary report was developed by a small CIPC BMD Task Force of Community experts, especially convened to initiate the investigation into this intelligence problem. The Task Force has completed its primary task. I will now be expanded into a full CIPC Intelligence Community Working Group, with representatives from the appropriate intelligence organizations, to								
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